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SUBJECT: GRANFIL CALL ON ARMITAGE

1. SUMMARY: IN CALL ON DEPASSTSECY ARMITAGE AUGUST 28
AMBASSADOR GRANFIL REITERATED GOY'S HIGH EVALUATION OF
PRESIDENT'S VISIT TO BELGRADE, STRESSED US-YUGOSLAV ECONO-
MIC COOPERATION, DISCUSSED YUGOSLAV AIMS AT LIMA NONALIGNED
MEETING, REQUESTED AGREEMENT FOR DIMCE BELOVSKI AND ASKED
WHETHER DATE SET FOR MINIC VISIT TO SECRETARY IN WASHINGTON.
ARMITAGE EMPHASIZED US CONCERN THAT NONALIGNED STATES (A)
DO NOTHING TO UPSET SITUATION IN MIDDLE EAST AND (B) WORK
FOR CONSTRUCTIVE DIALOGUE WITH OTHER GOVERNMENTS, EXPRESSED
OUR APPRECIATION FOR WARM RECEPTION OF CODEL ALBERT IN
YUGOSLAVIA AND RAISED TOTH CASE (SEPTTEL). END SUMMARY.

2. GRANFIL FIRST GAVE HIS IMPRESSIONS OF PRESIDENT'S VISIT:
"VERY GOOD, VERY FRUITFUL -- ESPECIALLY IN TERMS OF ATMOS-
PHERE WHICH WAS CREATED INFORMALLY IN ALL THE MEETINGS."
GRANFIL FOUND NO DIFFERENCE IN GOALS OF TWO COUNTRIES, ONLY
SOME DIFFERENCES IN HOW BEST TO ACHIEVE THESE GOALS. PAR-
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TICULARLY GOOD UNDERSTANDING REACHED ON MIDDLE EAST AND

INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC RELATIONS; HE FELT. ATMOSPHERE NOW WAS SUCH AS TO ENABLE TWO COUNTRIES TO HAVE WIDER AND MORE INTENSIVE RELATIONS. GRANFIL LOOKED FOR

GOOD RESULTS "IN COMING WEEKS."

3. ARMITAGE EMPHASIZED PERTINENCE OF CONCURRENCE IN BELGRADE TALKS OVER VALUE OF INTERIM SINAI AGREEMENT: NONALIGNEDS MUST DO NOTHING TO JEOPARDIZE CHANCES OF REACHING MIDDLE EAST SETTLEMENT. ARMITAGE SAID HE COULD NOT STRESS ENOUGH US CONCERN ABOUT ANY NONALIGNED MOVES TO EXPEL/SUSPEND ISRAEL FROM UN. THIS WOULD BE "DISASTER," GRANFIL AGREED, BUT MINIC WAS WORKING UNDER "EXTREME PRESSURE" AT LIMA TO MAINTAIN NONALIGNED UNITY ON THE ONE HAND AND ON THE OTHER TO ENCOURAGE POSITIVE STEPS TOWARD MIDDLE EAST PEACE. THERE WOULD BE SOME MOVE TO INDICATE UN PRESSURE ON ISRAEL TO NEGOTIATE. ARMITAGE SAID SUCH MOVES MIGHT WELL HAVE OPPOSITE EFFECT TO THAT INTENDED.

4. GRANFIL HAD SEEN NO OFFICIAL REPORTING FROM LIMA MEETING OF NONALIGNED . ARMITAGE EXPRESSED OUR HOPE THAT YUGOSLAV DELEGATION IN LIMA HAS BEEN WORKING FOR CONSTRUCTIVE PROPOSALS AFFECTING INTERNATIONAL ECONOMY, AS HAD BEEN DISCUSSED BY THE PRESIDENTS IN THEIR BELGRADE TALKS. CONFRONTATION ASPECTS OF LAST GA IN MATTERS AFFECTING ECONOMIES OF THE WHOLE WORLD HAD NOT BEEN HELPFUL; WHAT WAS NEEDED WAS REAL DIALOGUE LEADING TO COOPERATION ON WORKING TOWARD SOLUTION OF COMMON PROBLEMS AFFECTING DEVELOPED AND DEVELOPING ALIKE. "LET'S HOPE FOR A POSITIVE APPROACH TO COME OUT OF LIMA," GRANFIL RESPONDED. HE CLAIMED THERE WAS INTEREST AMONG THE NONALIGNED IN COOPERATION WITH DEVELOPED COUNTRIES. "IF AMERICAN ATTITUDE IS TO COME FORWARD TO MEET US ON SOME POINTS, THEN PROSPECTS ARE GOOD FOR IMMEDIATE FUTURE." GRANFIL WENT ON TO REFER TO STANDARDS OF CONDUCT FOR MULTINATIONAL CORPORATIONS WHICH WOULD COME OUT OF LIMA. ARMITAGE NOTED NEED TO KEEP INTERESTS OF BOTH PRODUCING COUNTRIES AND CORPORATIONS IN MIND IF REALISTIC PLANS FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ARE TO BE DRAWN

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UP. GRANFIL BROUGHT UP MATTER OF DISCUSSION WITH GOY OF US "PLATFORM" FOR SECRETARY'S SPEECH TO SPECIAL SESSION OF UNGA. (YUGOSLAV ECONOMIC COUNSELOR ACKOVSKI WILL GET BRIEFING FROM ASSISTANT SECRETARY ENDERS SEPTEMBER 1.) US HAD IN PAST BEEN TOO EXPOSED TO CRITICISM IN UN, GRANFIL COMMENTED, AND "OTHER COUNTRIES HAVE BEEN GAINING IN UN AT US EXPENSE WITHOUT OFFERING ANYTHING THEMSELVES." GRANFIL STATED FLATLY THAT EASTERN EUROPEAN STATES

(I.E., WARSAW PACT MEMBERS) NOT INTERESTED IN TAKING SUBSTANTIAL ROLE IN HELPING SOLVE INTERNATIONAL PROBLEMS.

5. ARMITAGE'S THANKS FOR WARM RECEPTION GIVEN CODEL ALBERT LED GRANFIL TO NOTE IMPORTANCE FOR YUGOSLAVS OF EXPLORING PROBLEMS DIRECTLY WITH CONGRESSMEN. HE SAID GOY WORRIED OVER BILLS INTRODUCED IN CONGRESS TO BUILD MIHAJLOVIC MEMORIAL ON PUBLIC GROUND IN WASHINGTON. ARMITAGE REPLIED THAT MEMBERS OF CODEL ALBERT HAD REASSURED THE YUGOSLAVS ON THIS POINT.

6. FURTHER ON BILATERAL RELATIONS, GRANFIL SAID GOY EXPECTED -- FOLLOWING PRESIDENT'S VISIT -- TO SEE CONTINUING ENCOURAGEMENT TO US CORPORATIONS TO ENTER INTO JOINT VENTURES WITH YUGOSLAV ENTERPRISES. HE WAS ENCOURAGED ABOUT DOW CHEMICAL'S NEGOTIATIONS WITH INA: "ONLY THREE FINANCIAL QUESTIONS LEFT TO BE SOLVED." GRANFIL SAID SEVERAL YUGOSLAV APPLICATIONS STILL PENDING WITH EXIM BANK; HE HOPED FOR DEFINITE ANSWERS IN COMING WEEKS, ESPECIALLY ON KOSOVO PROJECTS.

7. ARMITAGE REFERRED TO HIS EARLIER DISCUSSION WITH PETKOVIC ABOUT GETTING YUGOSLAV POLITICAL PEOPLE WORKING WITH THEIR JNA COLLEAGUES ON ROUGH PRIORITIES FOR THEIR SHOPPING LIST OF MILITARY EQUIPMENT (STATE 194652). GRANFIL SAID IT WAS IMPORTANT FOR POLITICAL REASONS TO "GET STARTED WITH SOMETHING" (I.E., WITH SALE OF SOME CLASSIFIED ITEMS). GRANFIL STRESSED NEED FOR COOPERATION BETWEEN US AND YUGOSLAV MILITARY ON WORKING OUT LISTS OF "WHAT IS MOST USEFUL;" ARMITAGE ASSURED HIM THIS WAS ALREADY GOING ON. GRANFIL OBSERVED THAT MILITARY SALES COULD GREATLY PROMOTE OUR BILATERAL RELATIONS, "OUR FIELD OF UNDERSTANDING." IN THIS CONFIDENTIAL

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CONNECTION IT WAS USEFUL, HE SAID, TO GET OUR TOP MILITARY PEOPLE TOGETHER FOR INFORMAL TALKS, SINCE THERE WERE STILL TOO MANY MISUNDERSTANDINGS AND PREJUDICES. "ANY IMPRESSION OF DIFFERENCES EXISTING BETWEEN MILITARY LEADERSHIP IN YUGOSLAVIA AND LCY ARE FALSE AND MUST BE DISPELLED."

8. GRANFIL'S TWO "SPECIAL TOPICS" WERE TO REQUEST AGREEMENT FOR BELOVSKI (WHO HOPES TO ARRIVE LATE OCTOBER OR EARLY NOVEMBER) AND TO ASK ABOUT SECRETARY'S INVITATION TO MINIC TO VISIT WASHINGTON THIS FALL. (DATES OF MINIC STAY IN US AS IN BELGRADE 4443: FINAL DEPARTURE FROM NEW YORK TO BE OCTOBER 3.) ARMITAGE RESPONDED THAT WE COULD NOT YET PROPOSE A FIRM DATE FOR MINIC TO COME HERE.

9. GRANFIL SIMPLY REMINDED ARMITAGE OF THE TWO GOY PRO
MEMORIA PAPERS HANDED TO ASSISTANT SECRETARY HARTMAN
IN BELGRADE: CATCH-ALL COMPLAINT ABOUT ANTI-GOY ACTIVI-
TIES OF EMIGRE GROUPS AND REQUEST TO BUY COPIES OF NAZI
WORLD WAR II FILMS TAKEN IN YUGOSLAVIA. INGERSOLL

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